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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number 09/420,965
Filing Date October 20, 1999
First Named Inventor Heath et al.
Group Art Unit 1743
Confirmation No. 3488
Examiner Name Brian Gordon
Attorney Docket 101.010US01

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132 effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant
application filed on or after June 8, 1995
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 previously filed on December 16, 2002.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other: _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Response to Advisory Action (pgs.)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (_ pg.); PTO Form 1449 (_ pg.); _ Cited References
- iv. ☐ Other: _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other: _____

3. Fees

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 501373 for any additional fees not covered by the check(s) enclosed herewith
- b. ☒ A check in the amount of \$375.00 is enclosed for the Small Entity RCE fee
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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DATE

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